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H. E. GUMMER, EDITOR

THE LIBERAL ASSOCIATION

Battle River Organization Holds Annual Meeting--Elect Officers and Pass Resolutions

The first annual meeting of the Battle River Liberal Association was held in Small's Hall Tuesday afternoon last. The attendance was very good.

H. Y. Pawling, the president, in opening the meeting, told of the organization of the Association at a meeting held at Denwood a year ago, before the town of Wainwright had been born or even located on the map.

"This section of the country," said Mr. Pawling, "was sparsely settled at that time and the association found it necessary to take in an exceptionally large territory. The district was composed of all that section between the Battle River and the meridian line at Ribstone, and the good work done by the association was due to the loyal help given by the members of the executive committee, who were chosen from the different districts.

"It is utterly impossible for anyone who has not been through the experience to realize the heavy work required to organize a new section of country, one in which an election has never been held. Voters lists had to be prepared and the polls formed.

"So heartily has everyone attended to their duties that at the last general election, the party had scored a signal victory. Both Dr. McIntyre, M.P., and Premier Rutherford had written the executive expressing pleasure at the fine showing made by the district.

"Gentlemen, before I close, I wish to thank all the members of the executive committee for the hearty support received during the past year and to assure them that my every effort has been to further the cause of Liberalism. I grant that mistakes may have been made by myself, but gentlemen, they have been of the head and not of the heart."

"Mr. Pawling was heartily cheered upon resuming his seat. M. A. Harpell, the secretary, then read his report, which was adopted.

Nominations were then called for the different offices and the following were elected:

Hon. President--Dr. McIntyre, M.P.

Hon. Vice-President--J. B. Holden, M.P.

President--H. Y. Pawling, Wainwright.

Vice-President--S. T. Gregory, Greenhills.

Secretary--Treasurer--M. A. Harpell, Wainwright.

Auditor--P. E. Ross, Wainwright.

Executive Committee--West: L. Kelly; Wainwright: H. V. Fieldhouse; W. E. Washburn; P. Dewar; W. Archibald Watson, M.D.; Chas. Henry; North: R. Arkroyd; Plaxton, E. Plaxton; Greenhills: C. T. Gibson and Leo; Wainwright: C. H. Burton; Ribstone: J. Crittendon.

A number of very interesting speeches were delivered by the newly elected officers.

The president thanked the gathering for the honor conferred upon him in his re-election and made the following significant statement:

"At the session of the Provincial Parliament to be held this month there will, no doubt, be a redistribution of seats and the Liberal Association intends to do their utmost to have

Wainwright made the centre of one of the new seats. I might also state that the vote polled in this district at the last general election was the largest in the history of any new district in this west. I see no reason why our request for more direct representation should not receive a favorable answer."

Mr. Gregory, the newly elected vice-president, thanked his friends for the honor conferred upon him and promised to do all in his power towards furthering the cause of the Liberal party.

M. A. Harpell told the meeting of the many difficulties encountered and overcome during the year and gave an outline of work still necessary throughout this section in order to get the party thoroughly organized.

A number of others addressed the meeting and all predicted a bright future for the party in this part of Alberta.

A resolution of considerable importance was passed, asking the government to move the ferry now lying idle at the new bridge on the Vermilion trail to a point on the Battle River, known as Ribstone's Crossing.

The meeting closed shortly before five o'clock and everyone expressed satisfaction at the harmonious feeling that prevailed throughout.

ECGERTON HEARD FROM

Will Enter Protest If Ribstone's Claims Game by Default.

Charles H. Burton, president of the Eastern Alberta Hockey League, and president of the Ecgerton Hockey Club, was in town today.

He was shown a copy of the telegram received from Ribstone, and the interview with Dr. Watson, as published in the Star last week.

"It is with the greatest surprise," he said, "that I learn Ribstone has claimed the game by default, as they might have known it was impossible to reach there, let alone play in weather like we have had the past two weeks. The trains were not running and the trails were simply impassable. Our team received no word from the Ribstone secretary, and we naturally thought we would be treated as we were by Wainwright in a similar case, under the same weather conditions and that the match would be played on a later date, agreeable to both teams."

He was asked what action the Ecgerton team would take if Ribstone persisted in claiming the game by default, and he answered:

"I wish to most emphatically state that my team will protest. Personally, I consider the action of the Ribstone hockey club ridiculous, and, moreover, it is unsportsmanlike."

When Dr. Watson, secretary of the league, was asked whether he had been notified by Ribstone, he replied that he had not as yet received any word from that team.

The matter therefore lies in abeyance until word is received from that place.

Geo. Reid has returned to his home near Lacombe.

BOWLING

League Games Grow More Exciting Each Week--Fops Teams Tie For First Place

Several games have been played in the bowling league since last issue and some very interesting games have resulted. Below we give an account of the different games:

BUFFALOS WIN FROM BRITS

The Buffalos had an easy win on Friday last when they met the Brits, winning by the handsome margin of 244 pins. The following are the teams and scores:

Buffalos--
Bills..... 74 120 129-323
Smith..... 110 80 154-343
Hopewell..... 151 143 115-410
Watson, capt..... 138 136 134-408
Totals..... 493-488 533-1514

Brits--
Ross..... 119 115 114-350
Harpell..... 100 121 117-344
Logan..... 72 83 101-256
Forsythe, c..... 127 105 88-320
Totals..... 424-424 422-1270
Majority for Buffalos, 244.

AND LOSS TO ROYALS

The Royals, who have been picked by quite a number to win the championship, had an easy victory on Monday, when they trounced the Buffalos by a large number of pins. The victory was a popular one. The details:

Royals--
Mills, A. E., c..... 153 122 115-400
Gallinger..... 105 147 124-436
Mills, Ed..... 120 116 106-352
Cook..... 92 110 164-366
Totals..... 540 508 499-1544

Buffalos--
Watson, capt..... 120 117 154-391
Smith..... 115 86 89-286
Bills..... 85 104 111-300
Hopewell..... 105 109 104-318
Totals..... 425-428 462-1805
Majority for Royals, 280.

BRITS LOSE ANOTHER

The Brits lost their third consecutive match on Tuesday, when they played the Royals. This was the closest and most exciting game yet played in the league, the winners being in doubt until the last ball was thrown, when Morrison won by making a strike. The scores were:

Mumms--
Mussion..... 115 101 105-321
Forster..... 120 117 115-353
Botts..... 101 139 112-359
Morison, c..... 110 125 177-412
Totals..... 446-482 502-1437

Brits--
Harpell..... 115 81 121-317
Logan..... 99 120 101-320
Porteous..... 102 177 116-395
Forsythe, c..... 124 138 140-402
Totals..... 440-516 478-1434
Majority for Mumms, 4.

ALBERTAS DEFEATED

The Ramblers proved to be the surprise of the bunch when they won easily from the Alber-

EARLY CLOSING

An early closing petition was circulated among the merchants last week and as a result the following stores will close every night except Saturday at 8.00 o'clock during the months of January and February: Washburn & Mills, hardware; Musson & Ross, hardware; Betts & Co., general store; J. N. Beaudry, general store; Richardson & Stoddart, general store; N. Culp, furnishing; W. Small & Co., furniture.

tas last night. There was all kinds of excitement during the match and the Ramblers proved to be the steepest team of the two. The scores:

Ramblers--
Cordelet, c..... 111 135 127-373
Karr..... 135 182 107-374
Jones..... 148 180 160-455
Henry..... 118 104 123-343
Totals..... 507-621 517-1545

Albertas--
Halterman..... 100 130 171-401
Porteous..... 101 91 104-296
Mills..... 119 120 115-354
Gummer, c..... 123 120 100-343
Totals..... 503-461 490-1468
Majority for Ramblers, 82.

A lodge of the Knights of Pythias will be instituted here next week.

Mrs. Roland Wale, of Greenhills, received the sad news that her mother had died at her home in Leduc, on Wednesday. The funeral takes place tomorrow.

Constable Walliker, of Wilkie, arrived on Thursday morning to take charge of the local detachment, Constable Pynes returning to Regina to attend school of instruction for three months.

The Grand Trunk Pacific line is again open to the point. The first train to arrive since December 27, came in at four o'clock Thursday morning. The regular service will be resumed immediately.

The cup, which has been presented by J. H. Dawson for competition among the teams of the Eastern Alberta Hockey League, has arrived and is now on exhibition in Musson & Ross' store window.

J. N. Mitchell has secured the contract for the erection of a store at Irma, 30x40 feet, for Bristot Otto and is making arrangements for forwarding the necessary building material. The building will be occupied as a drug store. The Fletcher Lumber Company supplied the lumber.

LOCALS

Items of Interest Gathered Throughout the week in Alberta's Youngest Town

Miss Reid has returned to her home at Blackfalds.

O. Nellis, Greenhills, was a visitor to town on Monday.

The taxes are now due for the Denwood School District. The rink is being well attended since the cold snap broke up.

Remember the hockey eight benefit entertainment next month.

R. A. Snyder, the G.T.P. agent here, leaves tomorrow on a trip to Minneapolis.

A mild form of chicken pox is quite prevalent among the children in town.

J. Bristow spent several days in Vermilion the past week, renewing acquaintances.

An A.F. and A.M. lodge has been formed here and already has a large membership.

Edgerton hockey team failed to turn up for the league match scheduled for Thursday last.

Joe Louis has started a livery and feed stable in the barn recently occupied by J. Smith.

C. T. Gibson, of Greenhills, attended the meeting of the Liberal Association on Tuesday.

J. N. Beaudry will return from his visit to Montreal and other Quebec points on Wednesday.

Mr. Welch, of Welch Bros., returned from Stettler last week, where he spent the past month.

E. L. Medhurst, auditor of the Grand Trunk Pacific, is in town at present auditing the books at the station.

It is announced that a Liberal Association will be organized in the Greenhills district in the near future.

E. Mills spent a few days in Vermilion last week. He was accompanied by his mother on his return.

H. C. Duff, who has been visiting his old home in Hamilton, is expected to return to town next week.

The school children are having a holiday today, owing to the school being used by the trustees for the annual meeting.

A large attendance is requested at the public meeting on Tuesday evening next, called for the purpose of organizing a volunteer fire brigade.

A "Hard Times" masquerade carnival will be given in the rink on Thursday evening, Jan. 21. Prizes will be given for the most original costumes.

WANT MORE RAILWAYS

Board of Trade Endorses Platform of the Provincial Government--To Hear Experts

The first annual meeting of the Wainwright Board of Trade was held on Wednesday evening, and judging from the attendance of the business men, a keen interest is being manifested in the welfare of the board.

President Ross, in his opening remarks, reviewed the work of the board during the short time since the inauguration. Only five months ago Wainwright was but a small hamlet and since then it has made remarkable progress.

Since the institution of the board it has experienced a very busy season and has always worked in the best interests of the town.

Among the many important matters that have been accomplished are the improvement of the mail service, the appointment of a Mounted Police; the building of a steel bridge on the Vermilion road over the Battle River to replace the ferry; the establishing of postal money order service; the establishing of a passenger, freight and express service over the new Grand Trunk Pacific Railway almost as soon as the steel had reached this point and while the road was still in the hands of the construction department, safeguarding the town for the protection of the inhabitants, and the digging and equipping of a public well.

They have also secured from the Dominion government a cemetery site and recreation grounds and from the Grand Trunk Pacific Development Co. a reservation for a park and public market and the promise of a grant from the same company towards grading the streets.

They have also in hand the incorporation of the town; the building of a bridge over the Battle River to the north-west of the town and the opening of roads to the east in order to allow easy access by the shortest possible route to the farming community in both directions.

These are only a few of the items reviewed by Mr. Ross in his address. The following officers for the ensuing year were then elected: President--W. E. Mills. Vice-President--C. T. Lally. Secretary-Treasurer--H. V. Fieldhouse.

Executive Council--Walter J. Musson, W. E. Washburn, Wesley Small, H. G. Morison, Norman Culp.

Immediately after the election of officers, many important matters were brought up, among which was a resolution endorsing the railway policy inaugurated by the Calgary Herald, particularly in connection with the proposed Wainwright-Calgary branch of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway.

The secretary was instructed to correspond with J. H. Woods and Jesse Dorman of the Herald, and endeavor to have them address a meeting of the Board and outline their policy.

The board will endeavor to have the G. T. P. build stock yard and loading platform at this point to take care of the large shipments of cattle and grain and encourage the erection of elevators.

Meeting of the citizens will be arranged for Tuesday evening next for the purpose of forming a volunteer fire brigade and to arrange for the necessary equipment.

The question of a telephone service was also brought up, and it was decided to take the matter up with J. B. Holden, M.P., and urge upon him the advisability of having the lines extended to this point.

It was clearly demonstrated at this meeting that our citizens are alive to the importance of the town and have unbounded faith in its future.

Situated as we are in the heart of a very fertile farming district, in which there is an excellent class of settlers and being one of the main divisional points on the main line of the Grand Trunk Pacific Transcontinental Railway, the town bids fair to be in a short time one of Canada's best towns.

Standing in Bowling League

The following is the standing of the different teams in the bowling league:

	Won	Lost
Albertas.....	2	1
Buffalos.....	2	1
Royals.....	2	3
Ramblers.....	2	1
Mumms.....	1	3
Brits.....	1	3

There are three games scheduled for next week, viz: Monday--Albertas vs. Buffalos.

Wednesday--Ramblers vs. Brits.

Friday--Royals vs. Mumms. All league games start at 7.30 p.m.

Standing in Hockey League

The following is the standing of the three teams in the Eastern Alberta Hockey League:

	Won	Lost	Draw
Wainwright.....	3	0	4
Ribstone.....	1	2	1
Edgerton.....	1	3	0

The game which Ribstone claims by default from Edgerton is included in the above.

The Merchants Bank is opening a branch at Unity.

Sherman Hopewell returns to his homestead at New Hill, Leduc, Sask., tomorrow.

McCann & Williams are erecting a shooting gallery just east of their pool room.

Miss Bateman, who has been the guest of her brother, Rev. Thos. W. Bateman and his wife, has returned to her home.

A farmer near Irma had the misfortune to slip from the roof of his house, and break his collar bone. Dr. Middleman is attending to the case.

A meeting of the ratepayers of the Denwood School District is being held in the schoolroom in town this morning for the election of one trustee, auditor, and the transaction of other business. The election of a trustee is necessary, owing to the term of H. Y. Pawling, the secretary, having expired.

What will in all likelihood be the last dance of the Quadrille Club will be held tonight. Extra efforts are being made to make this one of the best yet held. Special music has been secured. The original funds of the club are nearly exhausted and unless some means of securing more money are devised, it is impossible to hold any further dances.

A Public Meeting will be held in Small's Hall on Tuesday Evening, Jan. 19, at 8.30, to organize a Volunteer Fire Brigade.

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WAINWRIGHT

Alberta Needs More Railways

Premier Rutherford Interviewed by Ontario News- paper

With the center of the province lying 50 miles northeast of Edmonton and a large portion of this country practically unexplored, you can easily see the justification for a vigorous railway policy on the part of this Alberta legislature, said Premier Rutherford of the Province, of the foot hills to the Free Press this morning.

With increased railway facilities to the north we expect, the northern part of the province to open up a new mining and agricultural district. At least, one third of Alberta is underlaid with coal, and the opening up of this industry is yet to come. The northern lakes and rivers teem with fish which are almost valueless now till the railway is pushed northward. They will then contribute considerable wealth to the province.

The G. T. P. is expected to be completed into Edmonton by early spring and it is already laid as far as Wainwright, Alta. The C. P. R. is also doing considerable construction work and by spring their Lacombe-Moosejaw branch will probably be extended both east and west. The Canadian Northern is making surveys for prospective lines throughout the southern part of the province. The C. E. & N. have moved rather slowly with their high-level bridge from Strathcona to Edmonton as a work of construction has yet been undertaken.

Our new telephone system is working satisfactorily, continued Mr. Rutherford. The province will own some 2,000 miles by the close of the year, and we have all exchanges except Edmonton and Red Deer. We have had a very busy year in this regard, taking over the Bell system in addition to the construction of from six to eight hundred miles of line by the government.

There was a splendid crop in Alberta this year and the farmers are realizing a fair price for their grain. A considerable amount is not yet marketed as winter wheat is grown extensively in many parts.

Over five hundred school districts have been organized since Alberta became a province and this number is being added to annually. A new provincial normal school was recently opened at Calgary and without doubt the building is the best of its kind in Canada. Already there is an attendance of 101 students. The university at Strathcona, which commenced work in September has 45 students and five professors. One of our men, Prof. W. H. Alexander professor of classics, was formerly of the Ottawa Collegiate staff.

Ottawa Free Press.

INFLUX OF SETTLERS

Hon. Frank Oliver Predicts a Bright Year for the Province

While in Winnipeg recently, Hon. Frank Oliver, Minister of the Interior stated that from information which he had received from all parts of Western Canada and the United States, he judged that the movement of American people and capital to Canada in 1909 would be very large. He thought British Columbia would receive more attention than formerly but that the influx into Alberta and Saskatchewan would continue as formerly. The agents of the Dominion in the United States are continuing their work with unabated vigor, and the minister of the Interior left Winnipeg to visit several of the offices on the American side on his way to Ottawa.

According to the last issue of the Alberta Gazette, Charles F. Gibson, of Homestead has been appointed a stock inspector.

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Maria and the Eaton Craze

The other evening we stood on the station platform in Camrose and counted almost a full hundred express parcels from Eatons. An hour later we were honored through the mails with a large three hundred page Eaton catalogue. Still later in the evening we noticed a rather silly effusion about ribbons and merry-widow hats and trills and fashions and falderralls signed by one "Maria" in the Toronto Globe. And we commenced to think. Here we are trying to build up a new province in the Far West. We all have the same object in view: to prosper ourselves; to see our province prosper; to build good towns; to support good stores; to help and be helped by each other and to surround ourselves with something of the culture and attractions and advantages that come with prosperity of the community as a whole. The questions that suggest themselves to one's mind are many.

Are we doing our duty to ourselves, our town or our Province in sending our money to the East? Is it really to our personal advantage to do so? Are our local merchants themselves to blame either in charging exorbitant prices or in not carrying in stock the quality or range of goods necessary to do the trade? These and many other questions suggest themselves. This subject is one that the customer's standpoint. It cannot be settled arbitrarily by a wave of the hand. It has reached such a serious aspect that it must be dealt with, and the more plainly and the more moderately it is dealt with the more good may result from the discussion. We have been in business in Alberta for some eight years. We know something of both sides of the question and we intend dealing with it as fully as possible in the editorial columns of next issue. We may not please all parties. We do not hope to. If we did we would do no good. But we shall welcome any contribution from any source whatever.—Camrose Canadian.

Owing to the exceedingly poor postal arrangements throughout this section a number of subscribers are receiving their copies of the Star regularly. We would deem it a favor if they would let us know whenever they miss their paper and we will endeavor to find out where the trouble is. The paper is sent to every subscriber regularly but we cannot locate the trouble unless informed about it.

CHURCH NOTICES.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

ST. THOMAS CHURCH, Wainwright. Morning Prayer with Lesson 11 a.m. 8-7. Evening Prayer at 7:30. Choir Practice, Wednesday evening at 7:30.

Rev. H. ALDERSON, Incumbent.

METHODIST CHURCH.

Wainwright—Services in the Methodist Church every Sunday morning and evening at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. The following services alternating with the Methodists as above.

Prayer Meeting every Wednesday evening at 7:30.

Wainwright—Dec. 13 at 11 a.m. and every alternate Sunday at the home of Mr. Angus Plaxton.

Greenwood—Dec. 20 at 3 p.m. and every alternate Sunday at the residence of THOMAS W. BATEMAN, Pastor.

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 " Shoulders, 12c. " "
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 Fresh Pork Sausage, 12c. per lb.
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 Canned Apples, one gallon tin, 40c
 Lombard Plums, per two tin, 25c
 Damson, 25c
 Smith's Jams, assorted flavors, 75c

All other Groceries accordingly. The balance of our winter stock, consisting of Caps, Shirts, Mitts, Felt Shoes, Rubbers, Shoe Packs, Moccasins, Sheep-lined Coats, Trousers, Sweaters and Underwear at cost.

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H. E. CUMMER, Editor.

FRIDAY, JAN. 15, 1909

The Postal Facilities.

Wainwright, without doubt, has the poorest mail service of any town of its size in the Province of Alberta.

From the west we receive only one mail per week supplied from Vermilion by stage on Friday, which usually arrives about ten o'clock. Owing to the bulk of our mail coming from that direction it is twelve o'clock before the mail is distributed and the wicket opened. The present postoffice will hold four persons comfortably and when ten or twelve crowd into this space, the crush can be imagined. The stage leaves on its return journey at three o'clock making it impossible for anyone to answer their mail in the interval between the arrival and the departure.

The service from the east is much better when the Grand Trunk Pacific are able to run trains, but when the line is tied up on account of snow as has been the case during the past couple of weeks the mail service could not be worse.

When parties at a distance are expecting letters from this point, which do not arrive they should remember how we are up against it.

When the new postoffice, which has been under construction for some time, has been completed, the local distribution will be helped a great deal.

Editorial Notes

This is Wainwright's year.

The Board of Trade has got away to a better start than ever after the annual meeting of the Board, and should be able to do a great deal of good work this year.

Wainwright is more than receiving her share of attention these days. The town is aptly described in the article reproduced in these columns from the Canadian Courier, when it is called "The most expectant town in all Canada."

THE EXPECTANT TOWN

In the Canadian Courier, of January 2nd, the following article on Wainwright appears under the heading of "People and Places."

"Wainwright, Alberta, is one of the most expectant towns in all Canada. This is the present western terminus of the Grand Trunk Pacific on the edge of the Battle River, whose immense canyon is the glory of that part of the West. Wainwright is a new town; very new, paint not yet dry; a regular Christmas gift to the country; it has now a newspaper which is in its eighth week, and whose front page is a faithful receipt of the deeds and expectations of the country thereabouts. Unlike a small town in Ontario when that Province was new, Wainwright has more than ordinary connection with the huge world of industry. It has a bridge, a marvelous railway bridge that has just been finished, a thing of steel and cement that stands ready to link the eastern section of the Winnipeg-Edmonton line with the remotest hundred and thirty miles to the young city up on the Saskatchewan. Concerning this bridge, the scribbler says:

"The bridge was commenced about a year ago, when the con-

crete foundations were started. Fortunately, no difficulty was experienced in getting satisfactory footing, so that the whole of the piers were got in good shape and in quick time. There are 51 spans, the longest being about 160 feet, greatest height being 184 feet above the river. At each end there are constructed concrete abutments or retaining walls, which support the compound girders. On the land side earth has been dumped up to the level of the grade. It is expected a number from town will be at the bridge on the opening day to give a lusty cheer as the locomotive starts across, and again upon the completion of the journey. Wainwright can see ahead, for Edmonton appears so much nearer."

"On that front page of the weekly paper also is the story of a whole lot of little things that make up the life of a new community. The oyster supper and the hockey match; Ladies' Aid entertainment and somebody's funeral; visitors in town and homesteaders building a house; somebody's dance and the fact that the town's coal oil nearly ran out the other day. Such is life in the modern West. Twenty years ago most of the items would have been different—barring the funeral. But the Wainwrights and the Camerons and the Vegrevilles of the great valley are the new way, and as true to this day and generation as were the Fort Pitts and the Carletons and the Fort Edmontons of the old days. Progress. The roundhouse has come, the water tank, the train from the East, everybody down at the station to see it come in."

NOTES

The weary discussion, started by visiting British journalists with nothing else to talk about, concerning the unpopularity of Englishmen in this country, still goes on in the eastern press. It has reached the statistical stage in which are shown what percentage of the population of each province is English even unto the third and fourth generation. The controversy is quite futile. Individual Englishmen are disliked in Canada while other individual Englishmen are respected and admired. It is all a matter of which kind measures up the biggest percentage; and the percentage is steadily changing in favor of the latter class. —Calgary Herald.

Harry was walking with another boy, when he was joined by a friend, a year or so older and inclined to manners.

"Introduce me, Harry," the newcomer whispered pompously.

Harry twisted, reddening, and at last turned to his companion with: "Jim, have you ever seen Gilbert Spencer?"

"No," the other boy answered.

"Well," Harry blurted out, reddening still more, and jerking one thumb over his shoulder towards the newcomer, "that's him!"

We can all appreciate the present mild weather after the very cold spell of the past two weeks.

ARCHITECT

G. STIMPSON, Architect, Wainwright.

LEGAL

F. V. FIELDHOUSE, B.A., LL.B., Barrister-at-Law, Advocate, Notary Public. Special attention given to applications, Messrs. G. L. and L. L. Fieldhouse, Wainwright, Alberta, East of Merchants Bank on Second Avenue.

MEDICAL

DR. ARCHIBALD WATSON, Physician and Surgeon, Wainwright, Alberta. Office, Wainwright Hotel.

DR. J. G. MURPHY, M.D., Surgeon.

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ALBERTA

LOCALS

Items of Interest Gathered Throughout the week in Alberta's Youngest Town

The merchants are much pleased at the early closing move, and no doubt it will become permanent.

The carnival next week is bound to be a good one. There will be a large number of skaters in costume.

Miss Olga Ryan of Calgary is spending a few days visiting home here as is also her sister, Mrs. H. E. Cummer of Wainwright. —Watakiwin Times.

Carpenters are working on the interior of the Church of England this week, finishing the interior. The church will be completed except for the painting by Sunday. The work is being done by the Women's Auxiliary.

The distance from New York to Yokohama will be fifteen hundred miles shorter by way of Prince Rupert than it is by San Francisco and it will be five hundred miles shorter than it is by way of Vancouver. Nothing can overcome this difference, for it is due to the lessening of the circles of latitude as one goes towards the poles.

NEW LIVERY

Having started a livery stable in Smith's barn, I solicit a share of the public patronage. Charges reasonable. Satisfaction guaranteed.

JOE LOUIE

The early closing has proven success from the start.

Hundreds of towns have been started in the West in the last five years. The organization of a town means opportunity for the young men who are alert. Consequently thousands of men who were seeking fortunes five years ago are pretty well settled today. But do not think all the chances are gone. The country is just at the beginning of its development.

THE WESTERNER SAYS:

Toronto News: Western merchants never before had such a holiday trade as this season. Those who had faith and courage to lay in adequate stocks reaped a big harvest. This is always the way in the west.

A Calgary man went out into the mountains a few months ago and staked out a section of unsurveyed land. After a while other people thought it looked good to them, and tried to "squat" on his property, but he held them off. Then the Grand Trunk Pacific surveyors ran a line across a corner of the section, and located a townsite thereon. Now the property is worth \$300,000, and growing in value.

There are 3,600 miles of navigable streams in the Mackenzie river basin. Now are these streams unused. Invested in shipping in actual use is \$225,000, and the Hudson's Bay company has just completed a steel steamer to operate from the Arctic ocean up the Lower Mackenzie. It is fitted with electric lights, baths, steam heat and other improvements. Take a trip to the mouth of the Mackenzie next summer and look over your heritage.

Fuel is very scarce in town at present.

FOR SALE OR RENT—One two-roomed shack, also pair of ponies, harness, and buggy, cheap.

Drying and Cartage

Having purchased the cartage business of J. V. Graham, I am in a position to do all work in this line. Prompt service. Reasonable charges.

J. REID

The Palace Billiard Hall

Four of the best billiard and pool tables in town. Good stock of cigarettes, tobaccos and cigars. Come in and hear the music. Good barber shop in connection.

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The Lumbermen

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Best Bowling Alleys in the West. Barber Shop in connection. Complete stock of Tobacco, Cigarettes and Cigars.

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January Sale Prices

Inducements from an
Over-Loaded Stock

GROCERIES

Royal Household Flour, per 100 lbs. \$3.10	5 lb pail Crown Brand Syrup 35c
Raisins, Yal. per lb 10c	Sausage, 25 tins 25c
Currents, cleaned " 10c	Pot Barley, lb. 5c
Figs " " 7c	Beans, new, lb. 5c
Evap. Apples " 10c	Crispin's Cured Bacon 17c
Peaches " 12c	50 lb sack salt 85c
Apricots " 15c	Ontario Cheese 15c
Prunes, 60-75, per box 2.40	St. Charles Cream, tin 12c
Tomato Catsup, gal tins, 60c	Reindeer Milk, tin 15c
" " 20 tins, 12c	Laundry Starch, lb. 10c
Pork & Beans, 25 tin, 12c	Brooms, regular 40c line
" " 30 tins, 15c	for 30c
10 lb. pail Crown Brand Syrup 60c	Corned Beef Stock Food, 50c package for 40c

DRY GOODS

Men's Underwear, Penman's all wool, regular price \$3, sale price \$2.25	25c, sale price \$1.50
Men's Top Shirts, regular price \$1.25, sale price 75c	10 pairs Men's "Dawson" Boots, reg. price \$4.50, sale price \$3.50
Men's Overalls, regular price \$1 and 1.25, sale price .90 and \$1.00	24 pairs Children's Shoes, regular price \$2.50, sale price \$1.25
20 pr Men's Solid Working Shoes, reg. price,	30 pairs Ladies' Shoes, ranging in price from \$2.50 to \$4.50 per pair, reduced, per pair \$1.00

The prices Quoted in last week's Star will remain the same throughout our January Sale

Wishing all our Customers and Friends
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